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Letter dated 29 October 2012 from the Chair of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly

I am writing to you in relation to the provisions of paragraph 7 of section I of General Assembly resolution 40/243, according to which no subsidiary organ of the Assembly may meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly. Those subsidiary organs wishing to meet during a regular session of the Assembly must submit their requests through the Committee on Conferences.

I wish to inform you that the Committee on Conferences has received an additional request from the United Nations Appeals Tribunal to meet in New York during the main part of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The Committee on Conferences, having carefully considered this request, does not object, on the strict understanding that the meeting would be allocated conference services on an "as available" basis, from within existing resources, in such a way that the work of the General Assembly and its Main Committees is not impeded.

Accordingly, I should be grateful if the General Assembly would explicitly authorize the United Nations Appeals Tribunal to meet during the main part of the sixty-seventh session, subject to the conditions referred to in the foregoing paragraph.

(*Signed*) Carolina **Popovici**
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